



IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

Figure 1 illustrates the hybridization of a single type of oligonucleotide-modified gold nanoparticle detection probes, unmodified DNA target, and oligonucleotide capture probes attached to a glass substrate in a three component hybridization sandwich assay.

Figure 2 illustrates the hybridization of two types of nanoparticle detection probes, unmodified DNA target, and oligonucleotide capture probes attached to a glass substrate in a three component hybridization sandwich assay. The nanoparticle detection probes form a tree of nanoparticles which can be observed with the naked eye.